Yamuna water for Rajasthan

†2010. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:
DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to a MoU executed between Rajasthan, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Delhi on 12.5.94, Rajasthan had to be provided with 1.119 BMC water from Yamuna river;

(b) whether Government proposes to direct the Government of Haryana for signing MoU for the modernisation of canal systems for providing water from Tajewala head works; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir. As per the MoU executed between Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh and National Capital Territory of Delhi, the allocation of the annual utilizable flow of river Yamuna for Rajasthan is 1.119 Billion Cubic Metre.

(b) and (c) In regard to the signing of the MoU submitted by Government of Rajasthan for modernization of canal systems for providing water from Tajewala head works, Government of Haryana has not agreed to the utilizaiton of water by Rajasthan at Tajewala in the manner proposed by Rajasthan.

Government of Haryana requested for review of the decision of the Upper Yamuna River Board allocating the water to Rajasthan at Tajewala. The issues discussed in the 3rd meeting of Upper Yamuna Review Committee held on 12.4.2006. Pursuant to the decision taken in this meeting an Empowered Committee of the Irrigaiton/Water Resources Secretaries of the four States of Haryana, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi was constituted, to have a fresh look into the matter of allocation of water to Rajasthan from Tajewala. The Convener of the Empowered Committee submitted a report to the Ministry of Water Resources for taking further view in the matter. He has been requested to submit the report to Upper Yamuna River Board for further submission to Upper Yamuna Review Committee, after including the observations of basin States as annexures to the report. The signing of the MoU by Haryana will depend on the outcome of discussions by the Upper Yamuna Review Commitee, on the report submitted to it.

Use of raw water by industries

2011. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high level committee set up by his Ministry has called for a higher premium on industrial use of raw water to force industries to adopt new technologies that consume less water;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether the industrial houses are exploiting ground water and creating environmental problems; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and by when the committee's recommendations, after examination, are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Water Resources has set up a Sub-Committee to formulate a policy for water for industries which provides the framework for regulation as well as incentive for economic use for large users of ground water. The Sub-Committee has submitted its report to the Ministry. The Sub-Committee in its report has discussed the National Water Policy provisions, ground water scenario in the country, water requirement for industrial uses, need for artificial recharge to ground water, etc.

Fund for Narengguri Bund

2012. SHRI URKHAO GWARA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds allocated for that for the protection of Narengguri Bund including necessary diversion or restoration of original course of rivers Manas, Bakey and Hakua near at Manas National Park, Bakra district of Assam;

(b) the amount of money sanctioned and implemented for the said Bund from NABARD last year; and

(c) whether any special initiative to control major rivers within Bodoland area, under the foothills of Bhutan, which have become cause of miseries for the people in the last few decades due to flood and erosion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) and (b) An amount of Rs. 8.31 lakhs under Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) has been sanctioned under the scheme "Immediate measures for closing of breach at 17th km Left Bank Embankment of river Beki from Mathanguri to National Trunk Road under CRF 2007-2008 (at Narayanguri)" for closing of breach at Naryanguri. An amount of Rs. 416.00 Lakh was also sanctioned by NABARD for implementation of the scheme "Training of Manas, Beki at upper reaches (Raising and Strengthening of embankment from chainage 16th km to 25.20 km).

(c) A Joint Group of Experts (JGE) on Flood Management was constituted during 2004 between India and Bhutan to discuss and assess the probable causes and effects of the recurring floods and erosion in the southern foothills of Bhutan and adjoining plains in India and recommend to both Governments appropriate and mutually acceptable remedial measures. Two meetings of JGE have been held so far.

A scheme titiled "Comprehensive Scheme for Establishment of Hydro-meteorological and Flood Forecasting Network on rivers common to India and Bhutan" is in operation. The network consists of 35 hydro-meteorological/meteorological stations located in Bhutan and being maintained by the Royal Government of Bhutan with funding from India. The data received from these stations are utilized in India by the Central Water Commission for formulating flood forecasts.